

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Listing of claims:

1. (Currently amended) Process for forming capsules comprising the steps of:

(1) forming a solution of an amino compound (I) (V) from a mixture of an amino compound and an alkanol hemiacetal in a solvent;

(2) forming a dispersion of a core material in the solution;

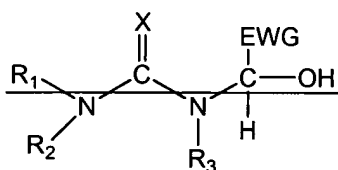
(3) depositing the amino compound (V) as a resin upon the surface of the core material to form capsules; and

(4) optionally hardening and/or recovering the capsules,

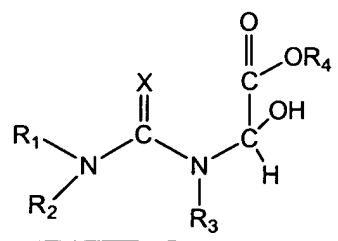
whereby steps (1) and (2) are executed in either order or simultaneously, and

wherein amino compound (I) (V) has the following formula

(I)



(V)



where:

X is NR₅;

R₄ is equal to a C₁-C₁₂ alkyl group, aryl group, aralkyl group or cycloalkyl group;

~~EWG is an electron withdrawing group;~~

R₁, R₂, R₃, R₅ are equal to an H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl or heterocyclic group; and

R₁, R₂, and R₅ or R₁, R₂, and R₃ may together form a heterocyclic group.

2-3. (Cancelled).

4. (Currently amended) Process according to claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1-3~~, wherein the solvent in step (1) is water.

5. (Currently amended) Process according to claim 1 ~~3~~, wherein the molar amino group/hemiacetal ratio is between 3 and 1.

6-13. (Cancelled).

14. (New) Process according to claim 1, wherein R₄ is methyl or ethyl.